



STATE OF ARIZONA

JANICE K. BREWER
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

July 13, 2009

The Honorable Kirk Adams
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: House Bill 2369; (NOW: noncustodial federal monies; legislative appropriation)

Dear Speaker Adams:

Today I vetoed HB 2369; noncustodial federal monies; legislative appropriation, which would have granted the Legislature the authority to appropriate non-custodial federal funds received by state budget units.

Upon becoming Governor, I articulated the need to put Arizona's fiscal house in order and swiftly delivered a Five Point Plan to accomplish this objective. To subject federal funds to legislative appropriation would unnecessarily complicate the administration of those programs and divert the Legislature's attention away from creating real solutions to our state's fiscal problems. Appropriating federal funds is not the solution to our state's budget crisis.

I look forward to working with the bill sponsor and the Legislature to bring about the comprehensive budget solution our state so desperately needs.

For those and other reasons, I have vetoed HB 2369.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice K. Brewer".

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

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cc: The Honorable Robert Burns
The Honorable Rick Murphy
The Honorable Ken Bennett